Washington, D.C. – Today Congressman Rooney issued the following statement regarding this weekend's schedule vote:

"This Sunday the House is scheduled to vote on a self-executing rule to pass the Democrats' government takeover of health care bill. If the Speaker and her Party believe this is a good bill, then why won't they hold a clean up-or-down vote? I intend to defend my constituents and the Constitution and vote against this disastrous legislation. As a former instructor of Constitutional Law at West Point, and longtime student of our founding fathers, I am disgusted with the politics as usual mentality that is currently running our Congress. My constituents deserve better and I will keep on fighting for them in Washington."